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SUBJECT: KAZAKHSTAN: PRELIMINARY INTEREST IN FOLLOW-UP REGIONAL  
TELECOMMUNICATIONS CONFERENCE

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11. (SBU) Econoff delivered reftel points on May 7 to Askar Bishigayev, Deputy Chairman of the Agency for Informatization and Communications. Bishigayev stated that a follow-up telecommunications conference would be "quite interesting," remarking that Kazakhstan has a big transit potential. Bishigayev added that he could provide a more definite, final response after consulting with Kazakhstan's telecom operators. He indicated that he would need about two weeks for these consultations.

12. (U) On May 10, Econoff also shared reftel points with Dana Khussainova of the MFA Americas Desk.

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